GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PENALTY TO DEALERS FOR RELEASE OF FAKE LPG CONNECTION
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the penalty prescribed by the Government under Marketing Discipline Guidelines, 1994 for the unauthorized / fake release of LPG connections by the distributors of OMCs ;

(b) the procedure laid down by OMCs for establishing the actual number of fake connections before imposing the penalty ; (

(c) whether OMCs have not followed the uniform procedure and kept the distributors of SC/ST categories under suspension for infinite period against the guidelines of the Government ;

(d) if so, whether such distributors have been compensated by way of waiving the penalty imposed on them ; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : Under Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG), 1994, the penalty for the unauthorized / fake release of LPG connection by the distributors of Oil Marketing Companies are as under :-

(i) For 1st offence, fine of Rs. 2000;

(ii) For 2nd offence, suspension of distributorship for one month;

(iii) For 3rd offence, termination of distributorship;

(b) : The release of fake connections by the individual distributors are established by checking of Subscription Voucher (SV)/ Transfer Voucher (TV) details, refill audit and stock verification etc. The distributor is asked to retrieve the equipments and advised to stop the supply to such customers.

(c) to (e) : Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have not reported any deviation in implementing the aforesaid guidelines and keeping the distributors of SC/ST categories under suspension for infinite period of time against the guidelines of the Government.